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Reference: 12 Day Pre-General Report (10/1/04-10/13/04) and Amended 12 Day Pre-General Report (10/1/04-10/13/04), dated 11/29/04 FEC letter dated 6/3/05

Dear Ms. Jones:

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In response to your letter on the above referenced reports, please be advised that all payments reported on Schedule A, supporting Line 15, received from federal candidate committee(s) for goods and services provided by this Committee, are at the usual and normal charge for the goods and services provided. With respect to Rent/Occupancy our Committee charges candidate committee(s) the prevailing commercial rent for comparable rental space.

All the expenditures made for Telemarketing, Video Production, Printing, Polling, Catering/Facilities and Postage/Shipping are to support Committee activities, and are not made on behalf of specifically identified federal candidates

Please be advised that the independent expenditures reported on Schedules E in support of federal candidates: Erskine Bowles, Ken Salazar, Betty Castor, Inez Tenebaum, Tony Knowles and Chris John were properly classified and reported as independent expenditures as defined under 2USC Section 431(17).

We have amended our 12 Day Pre-General Report, Schedules E disclosing independent expenditures, to include the signature of the treasurer.

With respect to the discrepancies in the reporting dates for independent expenditures shown in Schedules E, supporting line 24 and the dates of public dissemination included in the 48 hour reports; the Committee reported on Schedules E in the FEC report the actual date of the check to the vendor, not the date of public dissemination. We have amended our FEC report, Schedules E

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